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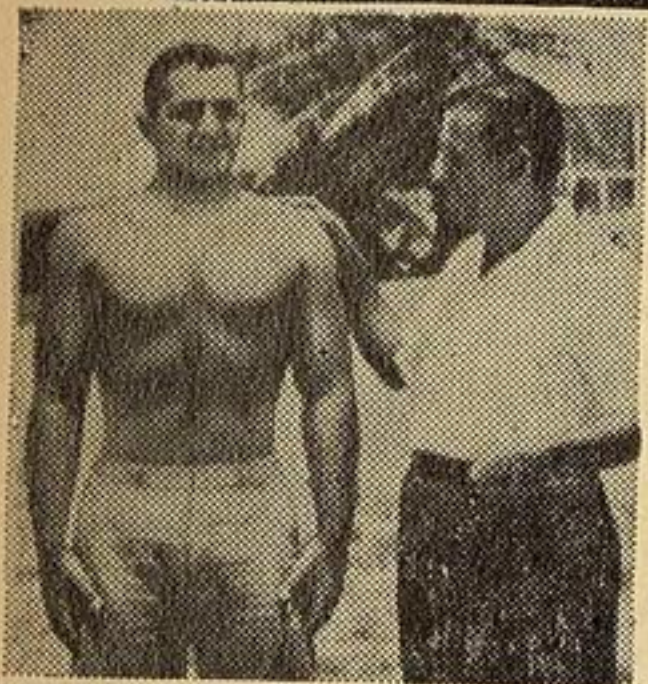
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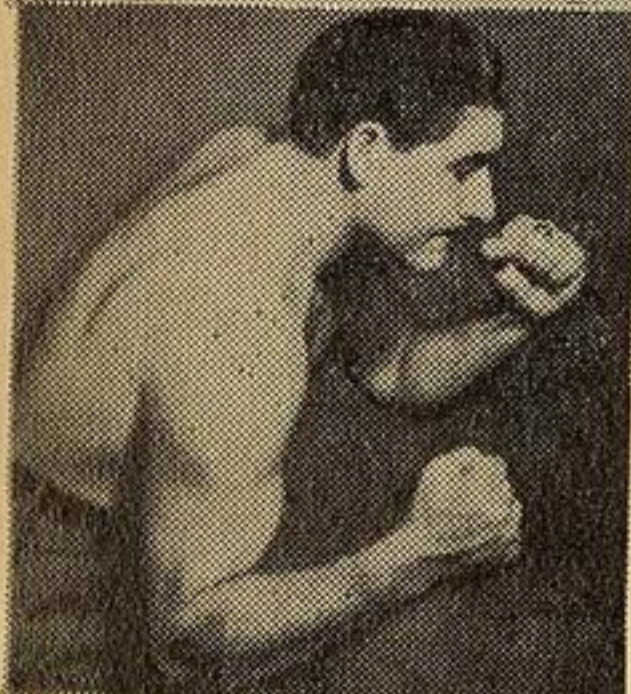
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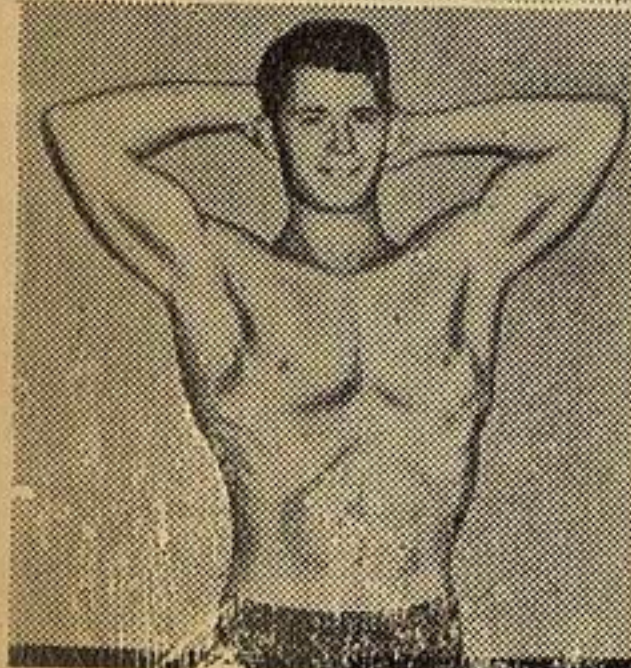
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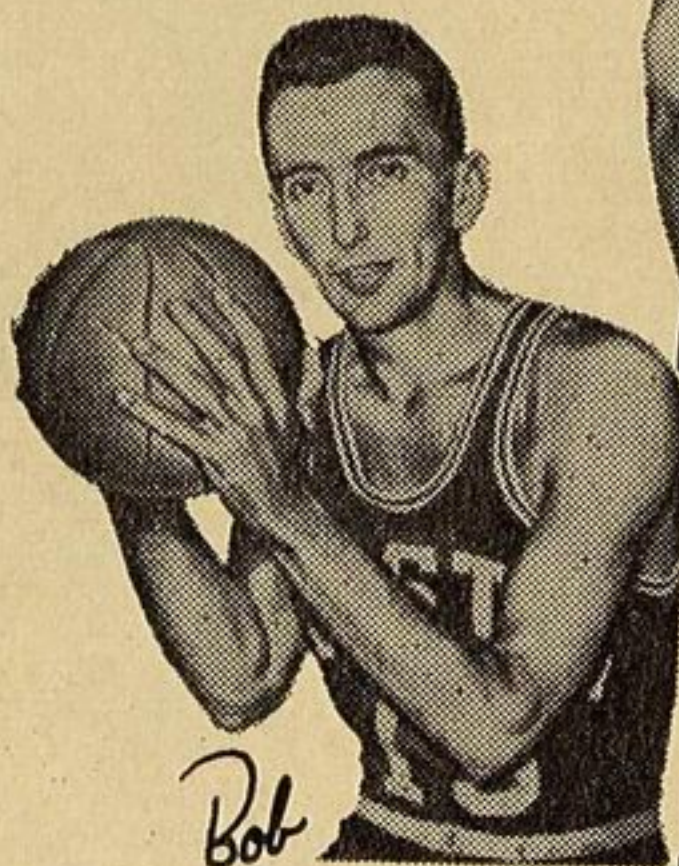
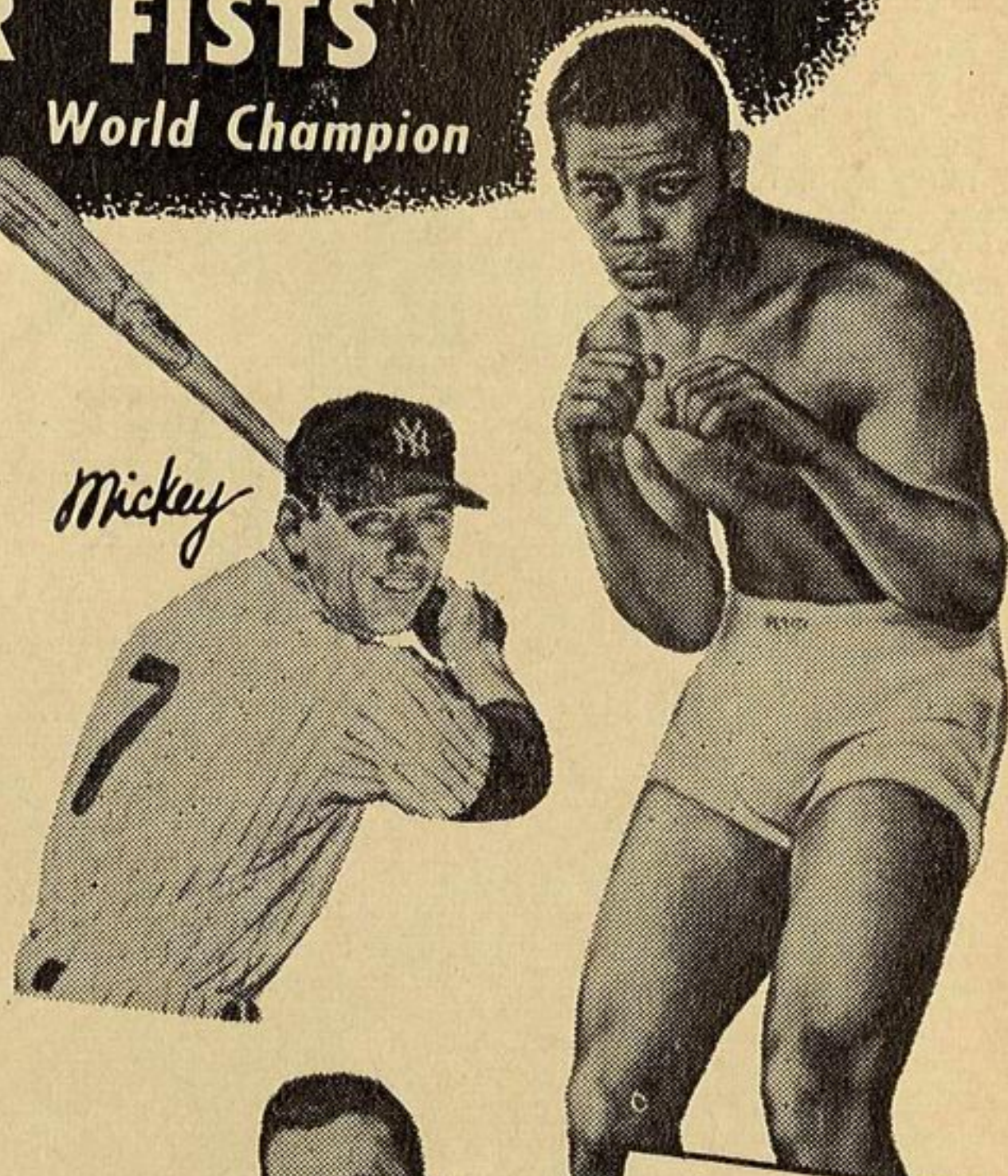
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Robin Hood

A THOUSAND DUCATS TO THE MAN WHO DEFEATS ROBIN O' LOCKSLEY!

IN **WELL REWARDED**

THE HIGH SHERIFF OF NOTTINGHAM WAS DETERMINED TO CAPTURE ROBIN OF LOCKSLEY! HE INCREASED THE REWARD AGAIN AND AGAIN UNTIL EVEN HONEST MEN WERE TEMPTED TO TRY IT!

YOU WON'T COLLECT, FRIEND!
YOU WON'T EVEN FLOAT!

I HOPE THE MOAT IS NOT DEEP, ROBIN! THESE ARMORED HEROES WEIGH GREATLY!



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I'LL HANG YOU YET, LOCKSLEY!
I'LL PAY TWO THOUSAND
DUCATS FOR YOUR
CAPTURE!

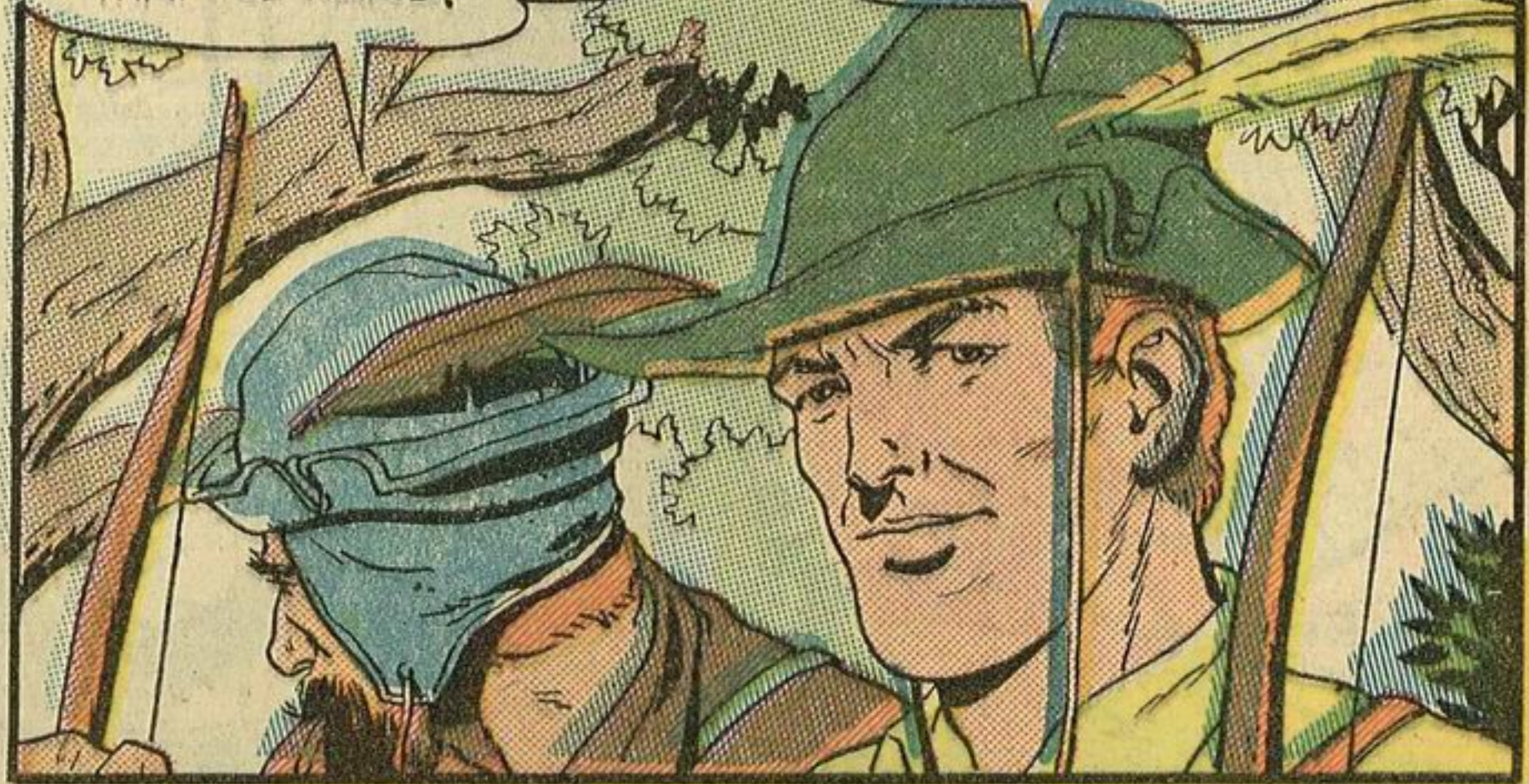


THE HIGH SHERIFF SEEMED ANGRY,
LITTLE JOHN! WAS IT SOMETHING
WE DID? I WONDER...?



I'LL NEVER FORGET
THE WAY HE SAILED
INTO THE MUDDY
MOAT!

BUT FUNNY OR NOT, WE'RE IN
TROUBLE, ROBIN! EVERY
JACKANAPES IN ENGLAND
WILL TRY TO COLLET
THAT REWARD!



AYE, TWO THOUSAND DUCATS
IS A LOT OF GOLD! AND THE
SHERIFF WOULD EVEN
DOUBLE THAT!

...IF WE GET HIM MAD ENOUGH!
HE MIGHT EVEN GIVE HIS
CASTLE TO GET ME IN A
DUNGEON IN IT!

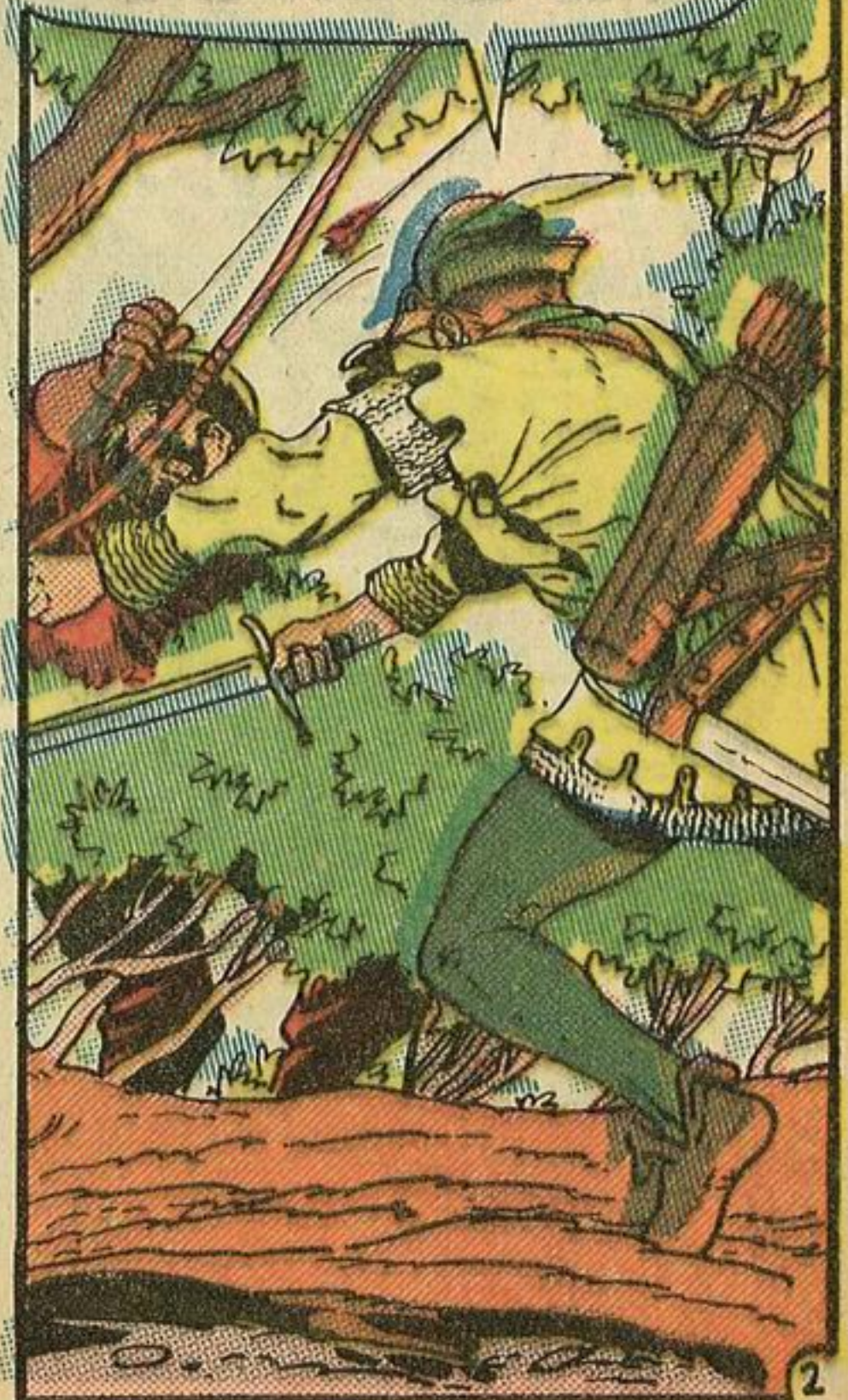


YOU ARE MY
PRISONER,
LOCKSLEY!
THE SHERIFF
WILL REWARD
ME FOR
THIS!



YOU'LL GET
YOUR RE-
WARD BE-
FORE YOU
SEE THE
SHERIFF,
KNAVE!

TWO THOUSAND BUFFETS IS
THE REWARD **YOU** GET!



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ENOUGH! LET THE SHERIFF COLLECT HIS OWN REWARD!

HE WILL! WE'RE GOING TO SEE NOTTINGHAM AGAIN, LITTLE JOHN!



BIND MY WRISTS, LITTLE JOHN! YOU WILL COLLECT THE REWARD THE WORTHY SHERIFF HAS PLACED ON MY HEAD!

ARE YE DAFT, ROBIN? HE'LL THROW ME IN A DUNGEON TOO!



HE WON'T KNOW YOU NOW, LITTLE JOHN! AND AT THE PROPER MOMENT, I'LL THROW OFF THE BONDS AND WE'LL TAKE OUR LEAVE!

I'M SWORN TO FOLLOW YOU, ROBIN, BUT IT'S CHANCY!



NOTTINGHAM CASTLE WAS ASTIR AS THE HIGH SHERIFF PREPARED FOR HIS CAMPAIGN TO CAPTURE THE OUTLAW CHIEF! ROBIN AND HIS CAPTOR HAD NO TROUBLE GAINING ENTRANCE...

TAKE US TO THE SHERIFF! I HAVE ROBIN HOOD HERE AND WANT MY REWARD!

IT'S TRUE! LOCKSLEY'S CAPTURED AT LAST! NOW WE WON'T HAVE TO MARCH FOR WEEKS ON END PURSUING HIM!



YOUR LORDSHIP, HERE IS ROBIN HOOD, THE OUTLAW! THIS MAN HAS BROUGHT HIM HERE FOR THE REWARD!

TWO THOUSAND DUCATS IN GOLD, IT IS SAID!

YES, YES, YOU SHALL HAVE IT! PAY THE MAN, STEWARD! ROBIN HOOD IS MY PRISONER AT LAST!

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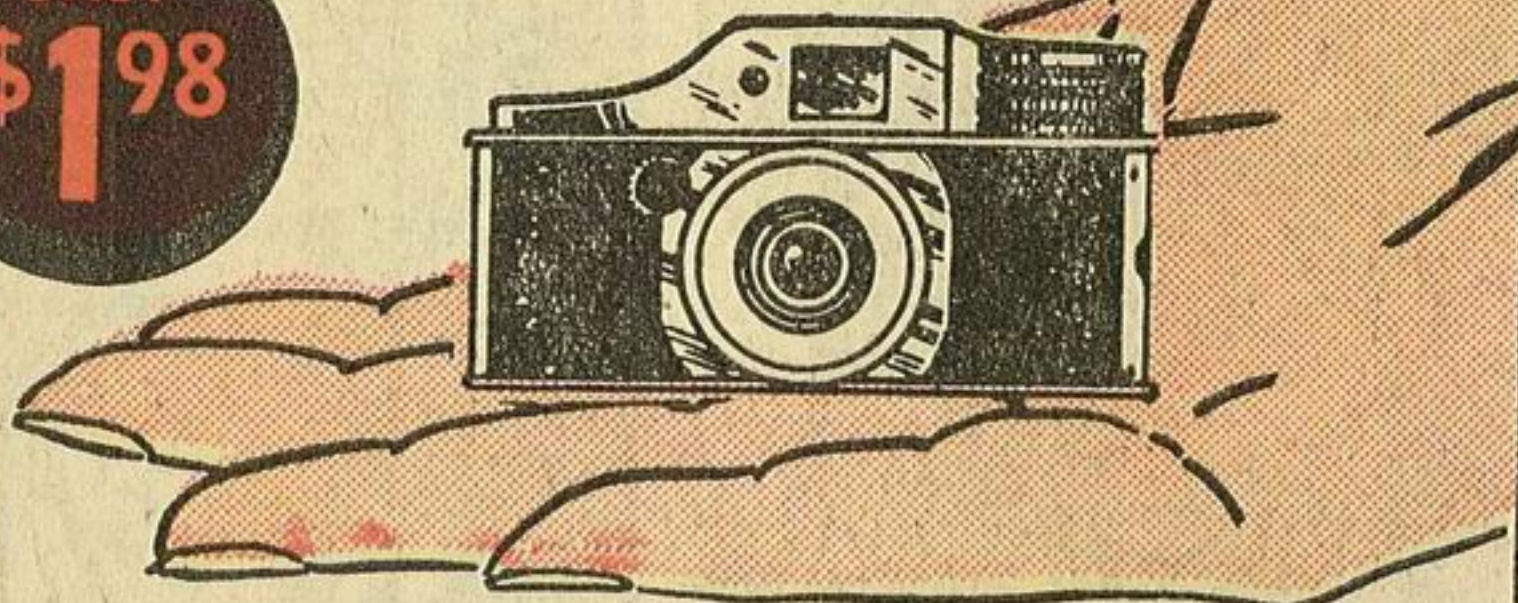


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YOU SHALL PAY FOR YOUR INSULTS, YOUR BLOWS TO MY PRIDE, KNAVE!

I'LL PAY, NOTTINGHAM!



AND I'LL BEGIN PAYING RIGHT NOW! ARE YOU READY, SHERIFF?

YOU INSOLENT... YOU'RE FREE! GUARDS! SEIZE HIM! DON'T LET HIM NEAR ME!



THIS IS MY FIRST PAYMENT! DO YOU LIKE IT, NOTTINGHAM?

SEIZE HIM... LINGH!



THEIR HEADS RING LIKE BELLS WHEN STRUCK, ROBIN! TRY THEM!

COME ON, LITTLE JOHN -- AND DON'T FORGET THE DUCATS!

NAY, ROBIN, THE SHERIFF WOULD BE HURT AT THE INGRATITUDE!



LATER, BACK IN SHERWOOD FOREST...

THANK YOU, ROBIN O' LOCKSLEY! YOU ARE ALWAYS GENEROUS!

I ENJOY GIVING AWAY GOLD -- ESPECIALLY WHEN IT COMES FROM THE HIGH SHERIFF'S PURSE!



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Robin Hood

AND THE CONQUERING HUN!

THE FLOWER OF ENGLAND'S KNIGHTHOOD WERE MET TO TRY THEIR SKILL--- AND ONE STRANGER FROM EASTERN EUROPE PRESENTED HIMSELF, A GIANT WHO VOWED TO HUMILIATE KING RICHARD'S WARRIORS! DISDAINING RULES, HE SWEEPED THROUGH ALL BEFORE HIM--- ALL EXCEPT ONE, ROBIN OF LOCKSLEY!



I ASK TO FIGHT MEN, AND THEY SEND ME BOYS!

AND YOU HUNS ARE WINDBAGS! BUT BIG WINDBAGS!

THE ENTIRE COUNTRYSIDE TURNED OUT FOR THE JOUSTS OF NOTTINGHAM! ROBIN HOOD, AS USUAL, WENT, THOUGH HE KNEW HE SHOULDN'T---

ARE YE DAFT, ROBIN? IF ONE OF THE FANCY DRESSED POPINJAYS SEES YOU, HE'LL SOUND THE ALARM!

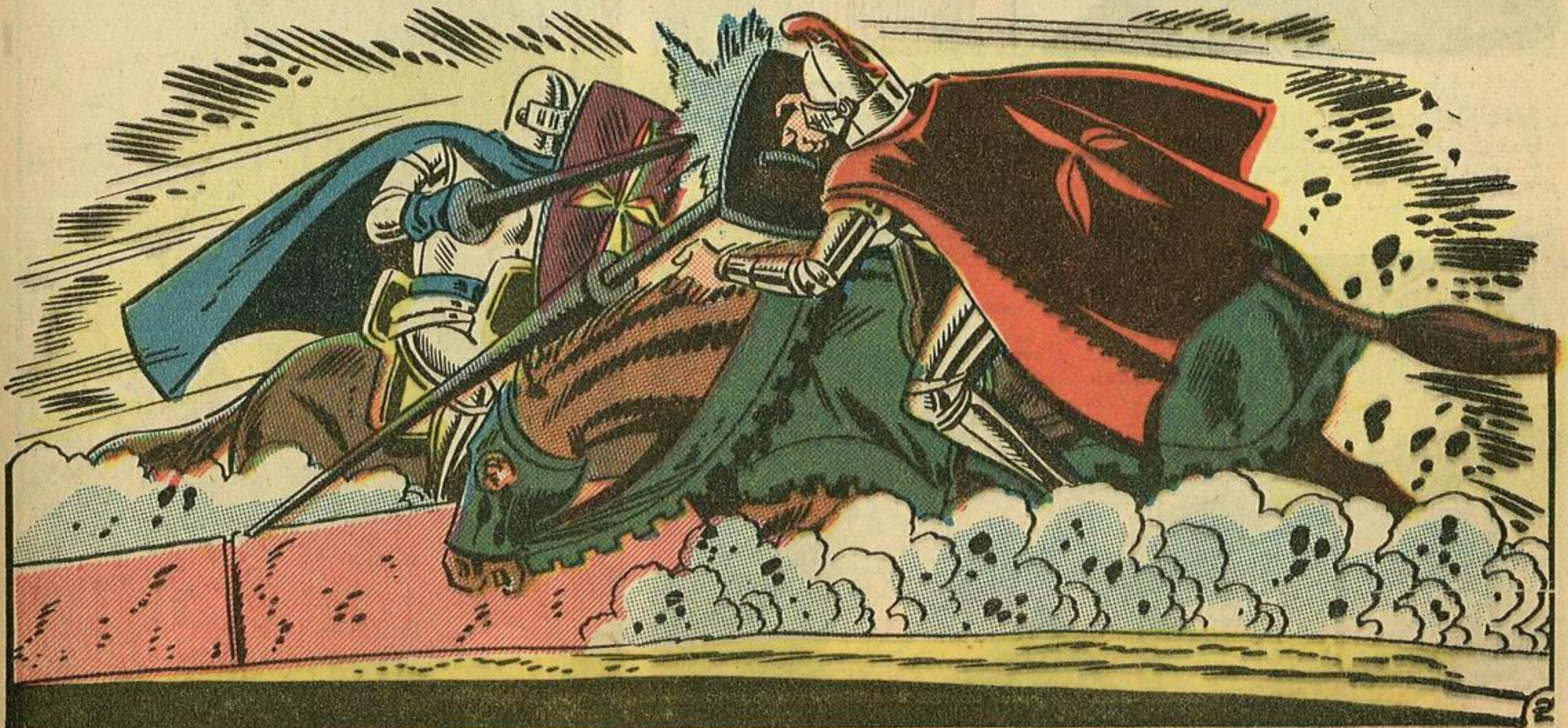
LET THEM! I'VE BEEN CAPTURED BY PRINCE JOHN'S BLUNDERERS BEFORE!

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INSIDE NOTTINGHAM CASTLE, IN THE GREAT YARD WHERE THE JOUSTS WERE HELD, ROBIN TRIED TO BE INCONSPICUOUS BUT---



A FEW MINUTES LATER-- ROBIN HOOD WAS ON A BORROWED CHARGER WITH BORROWED ARMS!



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IS SIR WILLIAM SATISFIED? HE STILL HAS HIS SWORD!

ENOUGH! --STOMACH --IT MUST BE SOMETHING I ATE! CAN'T GET MY BREATH! GO TO PRINCE JOHN AND ACCEPT HIS BLESSINGS!



COME, DON'T BE SO SHY! LET US SEE WHAT YOU LOOK LIKE!

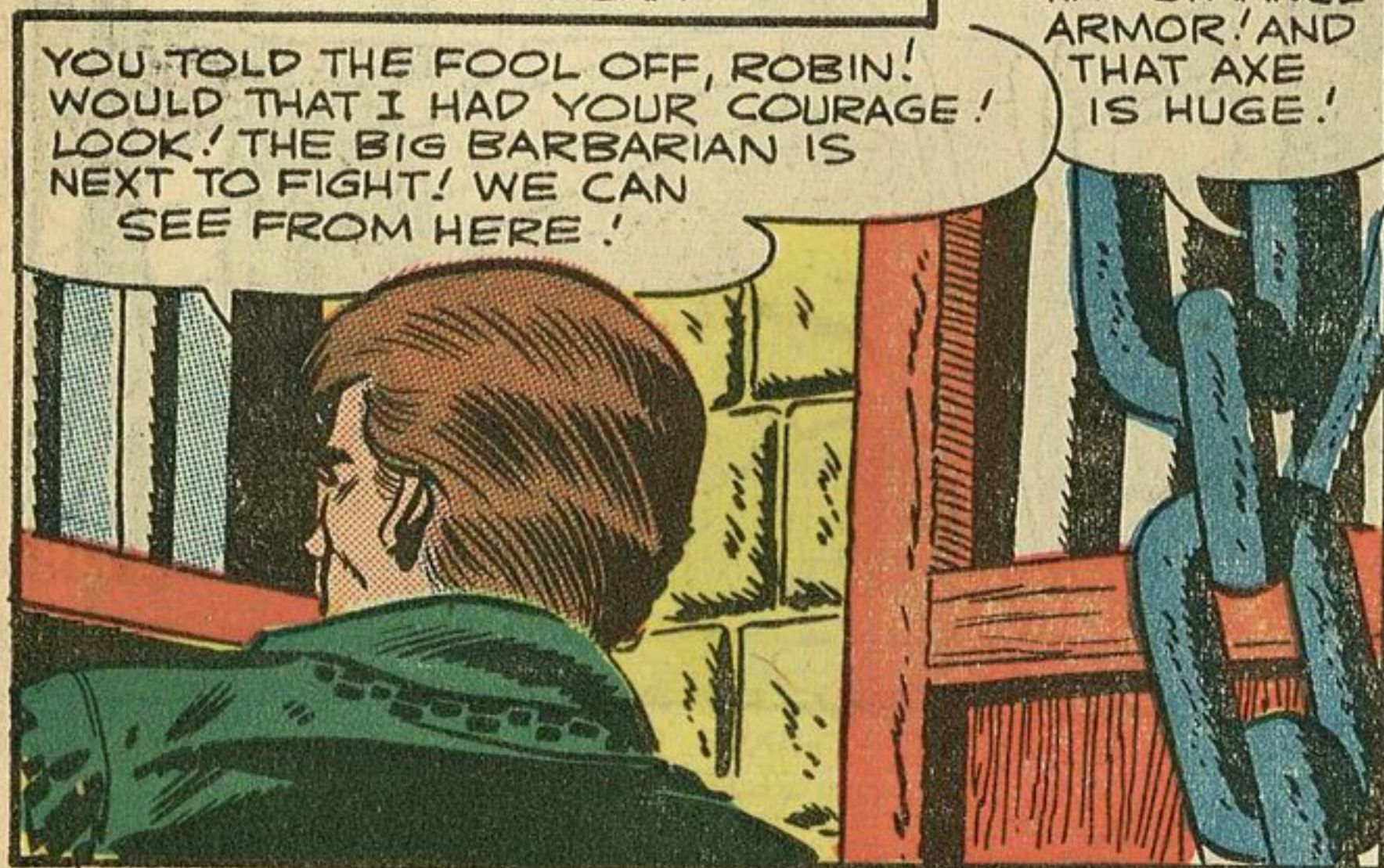
YOU WON'T LIKE MY FACE, O PRINCE--



--ANY MORE THAN I LIKE YOUR UGLY COUNTENANCE!

IT'S ROBIN HOOD! MASTER-AT-ARMS! CAPTAIN! THROW HIM IN IRONS!

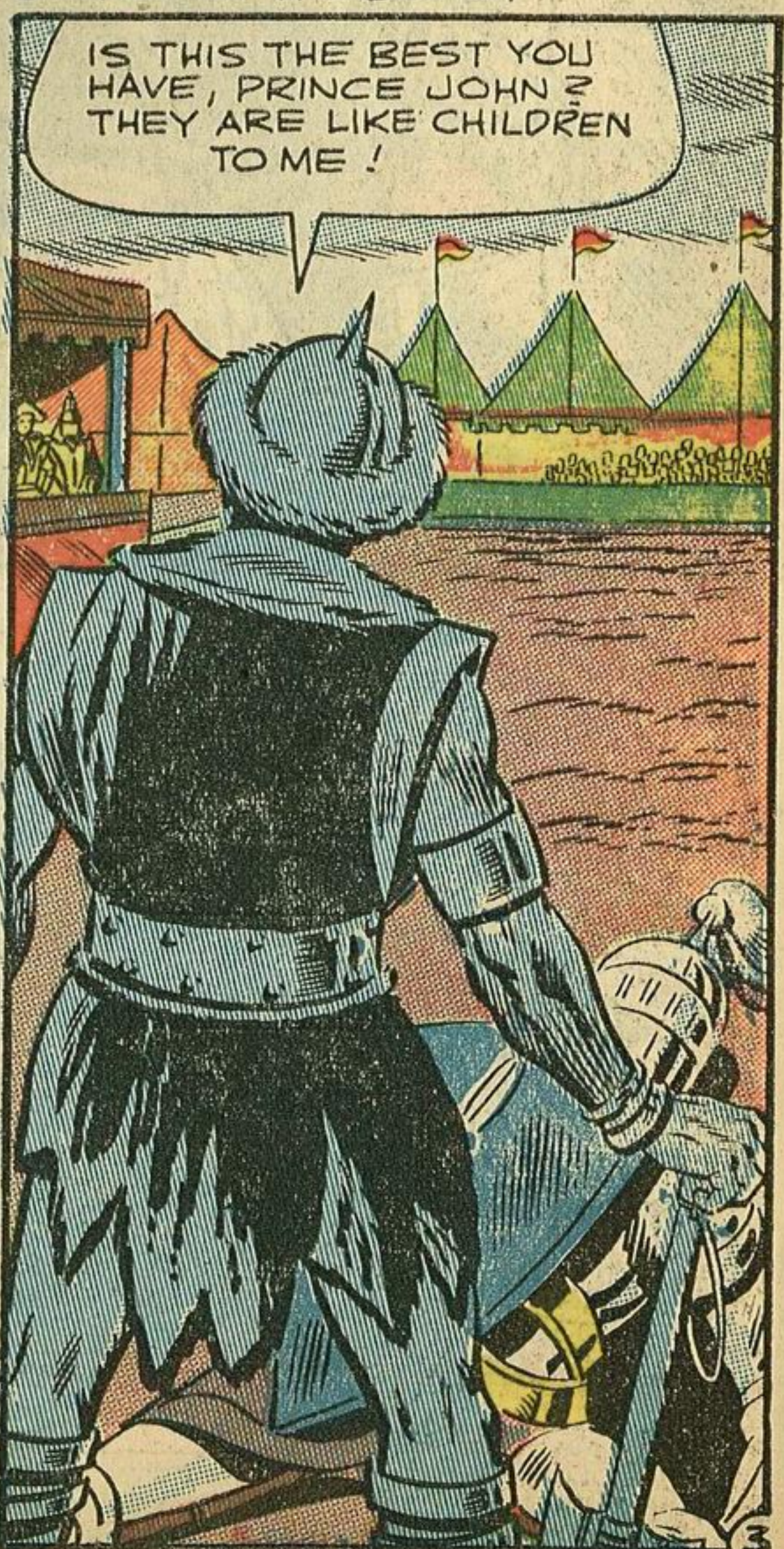
A FEW MOMENTS LATER, IN A CELL OVERLOOKING THE ARENA---



YOU TOLD THE FOOL OFF, ROBIN! WOULD THAT I HAD YOUR COURAGE! LOOK! THE BIG BARBARIAN IS NEXT TO FIGHT! WE CAN SEE FROM HERE!

WHAT STRANGE ARMOR! AND THAT AXE IS HUGE!

DISDAINING ALL RULES OF CHIVALRY, THE MONSTER FROM THE EAST BACKED UP HIS BOAST!



IS THIS THE BEST YOU HAVE, PRINCE JOHN? THEY ARE LIKE CHILDREN TO ME!



BRING ON YOUR FOOLISH WARRIORS! I WILL DESTROY THEM ALL!

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SOMEONE MUST
SILENCE THE
BOASTING IN-
VADER! I
WILL TRY!

SSSTT! YOU
CANNOT DEFEAT
HIM AS YOU
FIGHT!

WHAT DO YOU
MEAN, LOCKSLEY?
I FIGHT AS ALL
KNIGHTS DO!

EXACTLY! COME TO THE
DOOR-- THE JAILER
WILL LET YOU IN! I
WILL SHOW YOU A
TRICK!

A
MOMENT
LATER--

WHAT
IS THE
TRICK,
ROBIN?

DON'T DO IT, ROBIN!
REMEMBER, I'LL
GET IN TROUBLE!

THIS IS THE TRICK!
TAKE OFF YOUR
ARMOR, SIR
KNIGHT! I WILL
RETURN IT UN-
MARKED AFTER
I'VE CHASTISED
YOUR BRAGGART!

DONE! I BELIEVE
YOU'LL SUCCEED
WHERE I'D FAIL
MISERABLY-- AND
PAINFULLY!

FIVE MINUTES LATER, ROBIN WAS IN THE
ARENA ONCE MORE---

HO, SIR BRAGGART! CAN YOU
FIGHT AS WELL AS YOU BOAST? ME-
THINKS THAT AXE IS BEST USED FOR
CUTTING CHEESE!

YOU'LL BEG FOR MERCY
FOR MOUTHING THOSE
WORDS, ENGLISHMAN!

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ROBIN HOOD LOOKED LIKE A BOY COMPARED TO THE GIANT-- YET WHEN THE GREAT AX SWUNG, ROBIN WAS NOT THERE!



ROBIN OF LOCKSLEY DISMOUNTED--- AND WHEN THE BARBARIAN TRIED TO RIDE HIM DOWN----



AIEEEEE!! I'LL BREAK YOU IN HALF, ENGLISHMAN!

IT'S LOCKSLEY, BLAST HIM! JAILER--LOCK HIM UP AGAIN!

AYE, YOUR EXCELLENCY!

BUT NOT FOR LONG! HE'S A MAN, HE IS!



LATER, IN SHERWOOD FOREST WITH HIS NEWEST RECRUIT--HIS JAILER!

I'M IN YOUR DEBT, JAILER! I WARN YOU--THE LIFE OF AN OUTLAW ISN'T ALWAYS THIS EASY!

I CARE NOT, ROBIN! I'M FOREVER IN YOUR DEBT FOR THE BEATING YOU GAVE THE BARBARIAN!



THE END

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Robin Hood in The Magic Horn

NEVER WAS THERE A HORN LIKE ROBIN'S... WITH A TONE FAR-CARRYING AND SWEET AS A BELL! BUT THIS HORN... UNFAILING IF HE NEEDED HELP WHEN ATTACKED BY HIS ENEMIES, ALMOST COST ROBIN HIS LIFE AND THE FREEDOM OF HIS MEN!

TAKING YOU WOULD BE ENOUGH, OUTLAW, BUT SINCE WE HAVE THE CHANCE TO TRAP YOUR MEN, WE SHALL DO IT! BLOW HARDER, MAN! HARDER!

THAT HORN WILL SOUND A NOTE FOR NONE BUT ROBIN OF LOCKSLEY, NOTTINGHAM! YOUR SCHEME TO TRAP MY MEN WILL FAIL!

USE THE OTHER HORN, SIRE! THE ONE YOU HAD MADE FOR JUST THIS PURPOSE!



SECOND ONLY TO THE SHERIFF OF NOTTINGHAM'S GREED IN COLLECTING TAXES WAS HIS HATRED OF ROBIN HOOD! ONE DAY AT BREAKFAST, HE HAD THE BEST HORN-MAKER IN ENGLAND BEFORE HIM...

YOU HEAR, PEASANT? A HORN EXACTLY LIKE THAT OUTLAW'S! IF YOU FAIL...

I'LL DO MY BEST, SIRE! BUT 'TIS ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE!



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MEANWHILE, AT THE GREAT FIRE NEAR THE COUNCIL OAK...

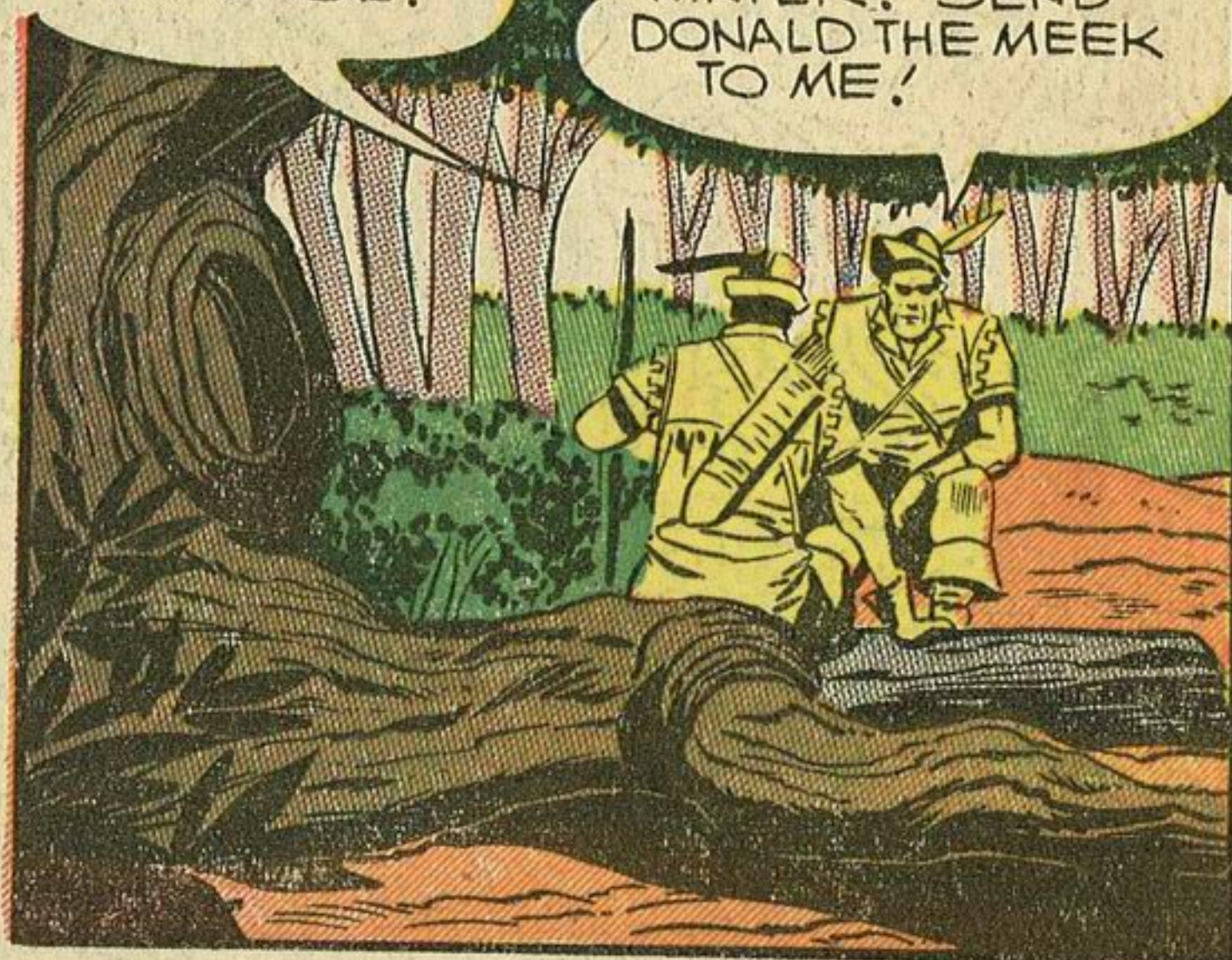
ROBIN, THERE IS LITTLE GAME AND OUR STORES ARE EXHAUSTED!

NOTTINGHAM'S HIRELINGS HARRY US TOO WELL! THERE IS ONLY ONE PLACE OF PLENTY LEFT-- NOTTINGHAM'S OWN FOOD CELLARS!



THAT'S IT, ROBIN! LET US DINE WELL AT THE SHERIFF'S EXPENSE!

NAY, LITTLE JOHN! YOU SPEAK OF ONE MEAL--I SPEAK OF THE COMING WINTER! SEND DONALD THE MEEK TO ME!



STAND UP, MAN! YOU WEREN'T ACTING HUMBLE WHEN YOU THRASHED FOUR OF THE KING'S MEN AT ONE TIME! IS YOUR TWIN BROTHER STILL A SERVANT OF THE SHERIFF'S?

AYE, ROBIN! WHY DO YOU ASK?



BECAUSE I HAVE A PLAN--WHICH I WANT THE SHERIFF TO THINK IS HIS! YOU WILL TAKE YOUR BROTHER'S PLACE AND...



IT WAS THEN THAT ROBIN WAS CAPTURED BY THE SHERIFF'S MEN! AND THE SHERIFF HAD THE IMITATION HORN SOUNDED TO TRAP THE OUTLAWS...

HIS MEN WILL COME--WHEN THEY DO, WE'LL BE RID OF THEM FOREVER!

NAY, NOTTINGHAM--THEY WILL NOT COME THE WAY YOU EXPECT!



THEY WILL COME LIKE THIS! DEFEND YOURSELF!



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GO BACK TO YOUR CASTLE, SHERIFF, AND THINK OF ANOTHER ONE! YOUR IMITATION HORN FOOLED NO ONE BUT YOU!

I'LL STRETCH YOUR NECK WITHIN THE MONTH, OUT-LAW... OOWW!



TEMPORARILY RELIEVED OF THEIR PURSUERS, ROBIN'S MEN HUNTED WELL AND THERE WAS FEASTING THAT NIGHT...

NOTTINGHAM IS AN ACCOMMODATING DUNCE, ROBIN!

HE WILL TREAT US EVEN BETTER VERY SOON, JOHN!



IN NOTTINGHAM, THE SHERIFF STILL SMARTED OVER HIS DEFEAT...

I'D GIVE ALL MY GOLD TO SEE HIM IN THIS ROOM!

IT CAN BE DONE, YOUR LORDSHIP! ROBIN WAS ALWAYS MOVED BY A PRETTY FACE--AND YOUR COUSIN IS FAIR!



CONFOUND IT, LADY WELKA, DON'T LAUGH! I NEED YOU TO TRAP THE OUTLAW! WILL YOU DO IT?

GLADLY, IF ONLY TO TELL HIM HOW MUCH I ADMIRE THE RESULTS, IF NOT HIS METHODS OF FIGHTING!



THE SHERIFF'S PLAN WAS SIMPLE--THE LADY WELKA WAS TO PRETEND DISTRESS ON A LANE IN THE FOREST WHERE ROBIN HOOD OFTEN TRAVELED...

YOU SEEM DISTRESSED, MILADY! MAY A HUMBLE WOODSMAN BE OF AID?

NAY, LOCKSLEY, BUT AN OUTLAW CHIEF MIGHT! WILL YOU SHOW ME THE WAY TO THE CASTLE?



STRUGGLE AT YOUR PERIL, OUTLAW! THIS TIME YOU SHAN'T ESCAPE!

HE IS A LAMB! BEWARE, COUSIN! HE WAS TAKEN TOO EASILY!



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NOTTINGHAM HAD TAKEN ALL BUT A FEW OF HIS MEN WITH HIM... HE HASTENED BACK TO HIS CASTLE AND WAS RELIEVED TO FIND IT INTACT...

YOUR FORCEFUL INVITATION CANNOT BE DENIED, NOTTINGHAM! I HEAR REVELRY INSIDE! DO THEY CELEBRATE YOUR VICTORY ALREADY?

AYE, THE MEN OF MY COURT WILL BE HAPPY THIS DAY!



WHY DO YOU SMILE? THERE'S SOMETHING WRONG HERE!

NAY, ALL'S RIGHT WITH THE WORLD! ONE BLAST OF MY HORN WILL SHOW YOU WHY!



YOU CALLED US, ROBIN? WE ARE HERE, WAITING THESE MANY HOURS!

HE DID IT AGAIN, COUSIN!

BLAST YOU, LOCKSLEY! I'VE GOT ALL OF YOU TRAPPED NOW!



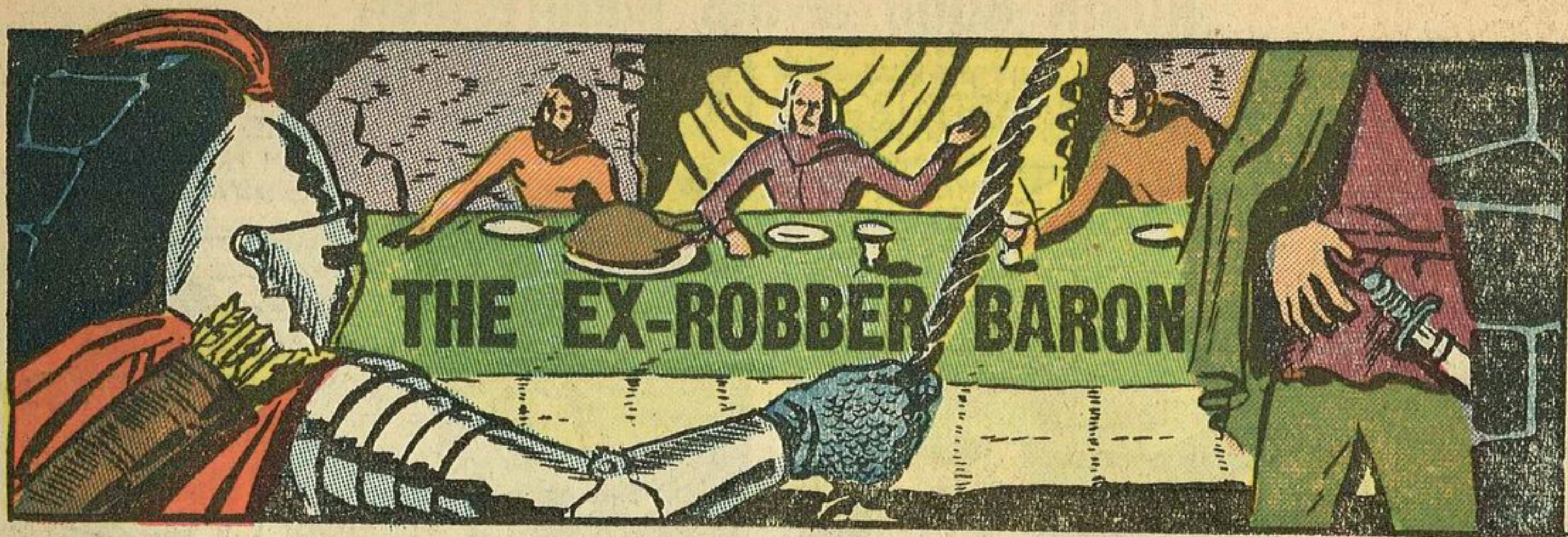
I WAS DUPED, LOCKSLEY! BUT HOW?

WHO SUGGESTED THE PLAN TO YOU? TOLD YOU HOW TO TRAP ME? NOT YOUR SERVANT, RONALD THE MEEK...

...BUT DONALD, HIS TWIN, TOOK HIS PLACE! RONALD HAD A SORE HEAD, A BROTHERLY GIFT!

AND WHILE YOU WERE GONE WITH THE MEN, I OPENED THE GATES AND LET ROBIN'S MEN IN TO AWAIT HIS ARRIVAL IN COMFORT!





The Count of Richmond was worried. He sat upon his great chair in the large reception room of his castle. At his side was his young bride, the Lady Elaine.

"Frown not, my Lord," she said to him gently. "I know you have many problems. They will solve themselves."

"But not the problem of the Robber Baron," replied the Count of Richmond. "Each day he becomes bolder and bolder. Soon I feel he will threaten the safety of the Kingdom. The King is away and the Regent sits upon the throne. That worthless, spineless nephew of his sits in his tower and plays a harp all day long. He should be out on the battle field fighting for the honor of his country."

"Forgive me, my Lord," interrupted Sir John Justin. "But the merchants are here to present their complaints to you. They have been waiting two hours. May I order them shown into the reception room?"

For almost forty years, Sir John Justin had served the hereditary Counts of Richmond faithfully. It was his task to advise them in all matters concerning diplomacy, war, and the relationship to the ruler of the Kingdom. His shoulders were no longer straight and his vision had begun to dim. He, alone, of all those who served the Count of Richmond, had the right to speak in the presence of the feudal lord and say what was on his mind.

"Show them in," ordered the Count. "I shall do my best to try to help them. It may be necessary to present the matter to the Regent when we visit him at the end of the month."

The door to the reception room was opened by two soldiers. A well dressed man walked slowly to where the Count and his wife were seated. A page boy preceded the man. When they were about fifteen feet from the chairs they stopped.

"I present to Your Honor, Bartholomew the Merchant from the City of Warton. He is a dealer in woolens and comes to present a petition by word of mouth."

The man advanced five feet and then bowed in salutation to his Lord, the Count of Richmond.

"You have my permission to present your petition and ask for redress according to the laws of the Kingdom," said the Count of Rich-

mond. "Whatever is in my power to do, that shall I do, and should I need aid to right the wrong, then I shall obtain it. Even from the Regent himself."

"The trade of the Kingdom is growing," began the merchant. "Roads have been built and bridges constructed over streams and rivers. Soon we will be able to take our products to all parts of the kingdom. But there is a constant danger to all peace loving people. He who calls himself the Robber Baron demands that we pay him as we go through his territory. If we do not, then he attacks our caravans and takes our merchandise."

"I know of this," replied the Count of Richmond. "Once the Duke of Worchester was a most respected member of the nobility. But greed has tainted him. The roads from north and south, east and west do pass through his territory, but he has no legal right to force payment of tolls or duties. His forces are very strong and each day he gathers more men around him. His castle is on top of the Barding Mountain and he can easily withstand any attack. We shall take measures to stop him in what he is doing. You may leave."

The merchant bowed and turned around. The page boy preceded him. The merchant then entered the waiting room where his friends and business associates were seated. Before he could speak, the page, Walter De Nanuchly tucked at his sleeve.

"Don't worry," he cheered him. "There is always the Blue Knight to help people like you. The man who can think in poetry, and also wields the most powerful sword in the land. Who is he? They say he wears the signet ring of the King on his finger."

Then before the merchant could say anything, the page boy slipped away. Slowly, Bartholomew the Merchant from the City of Warton smiled.

"I think there soon will be a solution to our problem," he informed his friends and associates. "The Robber Baron will meet somebody stronger and much cleverer and one intent only on seeing that Justice is given to all."

For three days there had been parties, dancing, and rejoicing in the great royal castle of the Regent. Now he and the assembled Lords

were talking over the one great problem common to all: What to do with the Robber Baron?

"I say we all assemble our forces together and storm his castle," suggested the young Duke of Marlinberg. "We shall defeat him."

"You will do nothing of the sort," interrupted the voice of a man standing on the stone ledge of a high narrow window in the great hall of the castle. He wore a blue helmet that covered his face. His famous great sword was in its scabbard and attached to a leather belt. On his back was a great bow as well as a quiver full of arrows.

"In order to storm his castle you would have to climb up the mountain pass. Here he could destroy you, and you would not be able to bring up your engines of war. Just enjoy yourself for another week. I shall bring back the Robber Baron as my prisoner. Then you shall, all assembled here, mete out Justice."

No sooner had he finished speaking, when there was a great commotion in the hall. The nobles rushed to the window to see if they could capture the Blue Knight. He grabbed a rope and swung to a lower level. From here he scaled the wall and jumped on a waiting horse.

"Be ye calm," spoke the firm voice of the Regent. "If you did capture him, then who would capture the Robber Baron? His advice is both sound and good. Let us continue to be merry."

The Merchant from the City of Warton was sleeping when a familiar voice spoke. It was the page boy.

"The time has now come. We are all assembling on the south field. Be there within an hour. All must be ready to leave when the moon is high in the sky."

On the south field, outside the city, a great caravan was being assembled. Instead of each wagon being pulled by two or four horses, there were a dozen horses pulling each wagon. They were not the work horse of the day, but the fast and powerful horse of the mounted rider. A horn blew three times and slowly the wagons began to move to the south.

Two days later, scouts from the Robber Baron spotted the caravan. It consisted of about fifty wagons.

"A rich haul," said one of the scouts. "Must be very heavy with merchandise and valuables. See how many horses they need to pull each

wagon, and how slowly they go."

"Back to the castle at once," added the other scout. "Our Master will be well pleased with the news."

Within two hours a steady stream of armed riders were leaving the castle of the Robber Baron. At their head rode the man who felt that soon he would be powerful enough to challenge even the Regent of the Kingdom.

"First we surround them as usual," he told his men. "Then I make the demand. If they pay not, we attack."

The first rays of the sun were coming through the sky when the lead wagon of the caravan stopped as the path was cut off by some armed horsemen.

"You pass through my territory. It will cost you thirty ounces of gold. Otherwise I shall take everything."

"Neither gold nor merchandise will you take," challenged a powerful voice. "If there is to be any taking, then we shall do it."

Suddenly from all the wagons emerged armed men. They quickly mounted the horses and the astonished Robber Baron and his men found they in turn were surrounded. The ensuing battle was brief. The Blue Knight sought out and fought with the Robber Baron. Most of the men stopped their fighting to watch the outcome. For the rule was that the victor of such a battle between leaders was the winner of everything. The Robber Baron did his best but soon found himself unhorsed and disarmed.

"Whoever ye Be," he admitted, "To thee I must surrender. But spare my life."

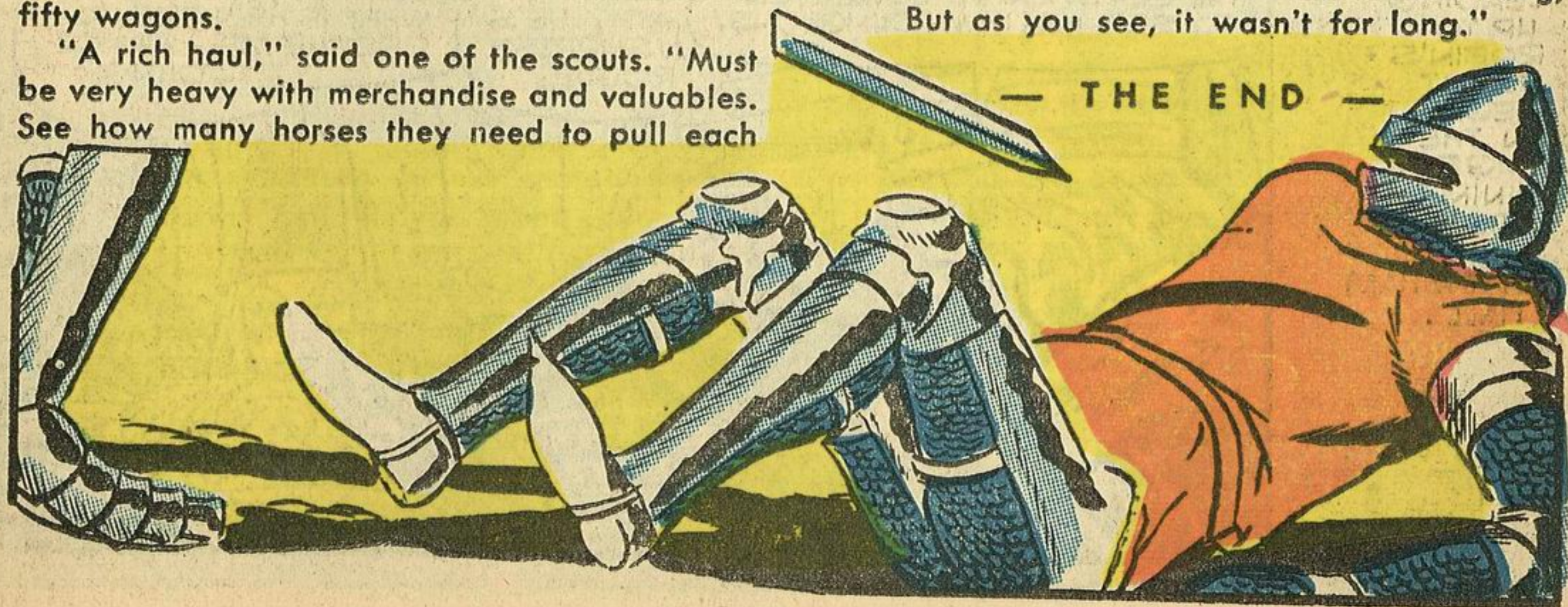
In chains, the ex-Robber Baron stood before the throne of the Regent. The ruler of the Kingdom spoke.

"The Blue Knight has pledged your life so you shall live. All your goods will be taken and compensation made to those from whom you despoiled. You shall be banished to the Solitary Castle where others like you who have brought shame upon us must spend the rest of their days."

And up in the tower a young man was playing a harp and composing a rhyme.

"There was a man who tried to do wrong,
But as you see, it wasn't for long."

— THE END —



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in 'DAMSEL IN DISTRESS'

Robin Hood

IT WAS EASY TO OUTWIT THE HIGH SHERIFF OF NOTTINGHAM AND THE ARROGANT PRINCE JOHN! BUT WHEN SCHEMING, CONNIVING LADY JULIA ENTERED THE PICTURE, ROBIN HOOD WAS ALMOST TRAPPED WITH ALL HIS BAND! SUBTLE PERFUME AND FEMININE ALLURE ALMOST TRIUMPHED WHERE SWORDS AND ARMOR HAD FAILED!

SEIZE HIM! THE WOMAN WILL NOT LET HIM RESIST US!

SAVE ME, ROBIN! THEY HAVE COME FOR ME!

LOOSE ME, WOMAN! YOU HAVE HARMED ME ENOUGH LEADING PRINCE JOHN AND HIS MEN HERE!



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THE EVENTS LEADING UP TO ROBIN'S FLIGHT BEGAN IN THE HUGE DINING ROOM AT NOTTINGHAM HALL...

YOU SAY THIS RASCAL, ROBIN OF LOCKSLEY, HAS ROBBED ME AGAIN? I'D GIVE THE GOLD YOU'VE COLLECTED TO SEE HIM IN MY DUNGEONS!

AYE! HE'S A SLIPPERY ROGUE!

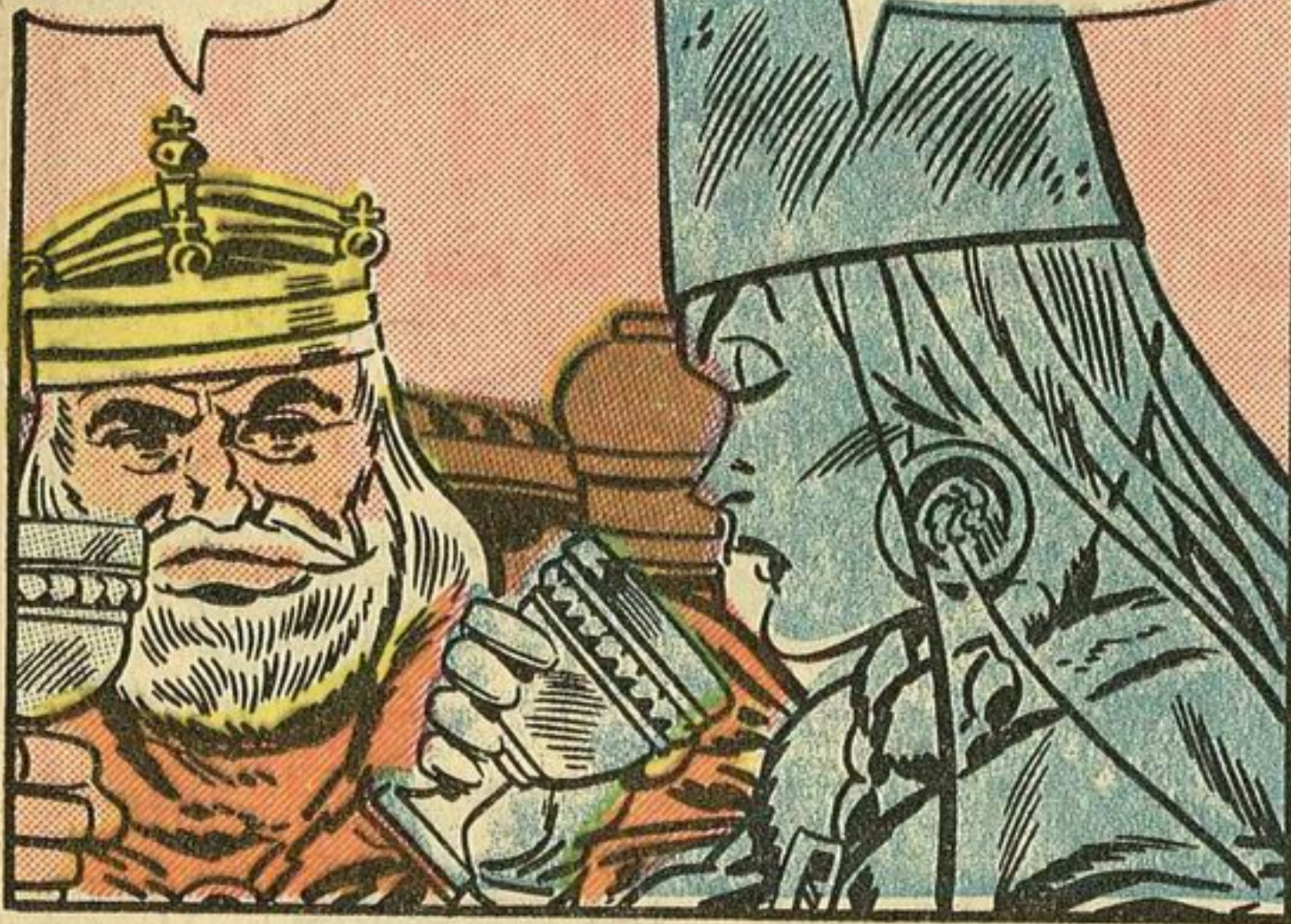
A GALLANT ONE, THOUGH! METHINKS HIS GALLANTRY MIGHT COST HIM DEAR! WHAT IF HE WERE TO RESCUE ME, PRINCE JOHN?



ROBIN HOOD & HIS MERRY MEN

WHY WOULD HE RESCUE YOU? FROM WHOM? AND WHAT WOULD YOU GAIN?

AS TO GAIN, THE LAND I WANT IN KENT! AS FOR THE REST, I WOULD BE FLEEING FROM YOU AND YOUR MEN!



AND SO ONE DAY, WHILE ROBIN WAS SEEKING THE KING'S DEER...

THERE'S THE HANDSOME ROGUE! 'T'WILL BE A PLEASURE TO DUPE SUCH AN OUTLAW!



HELP! HELP ME!

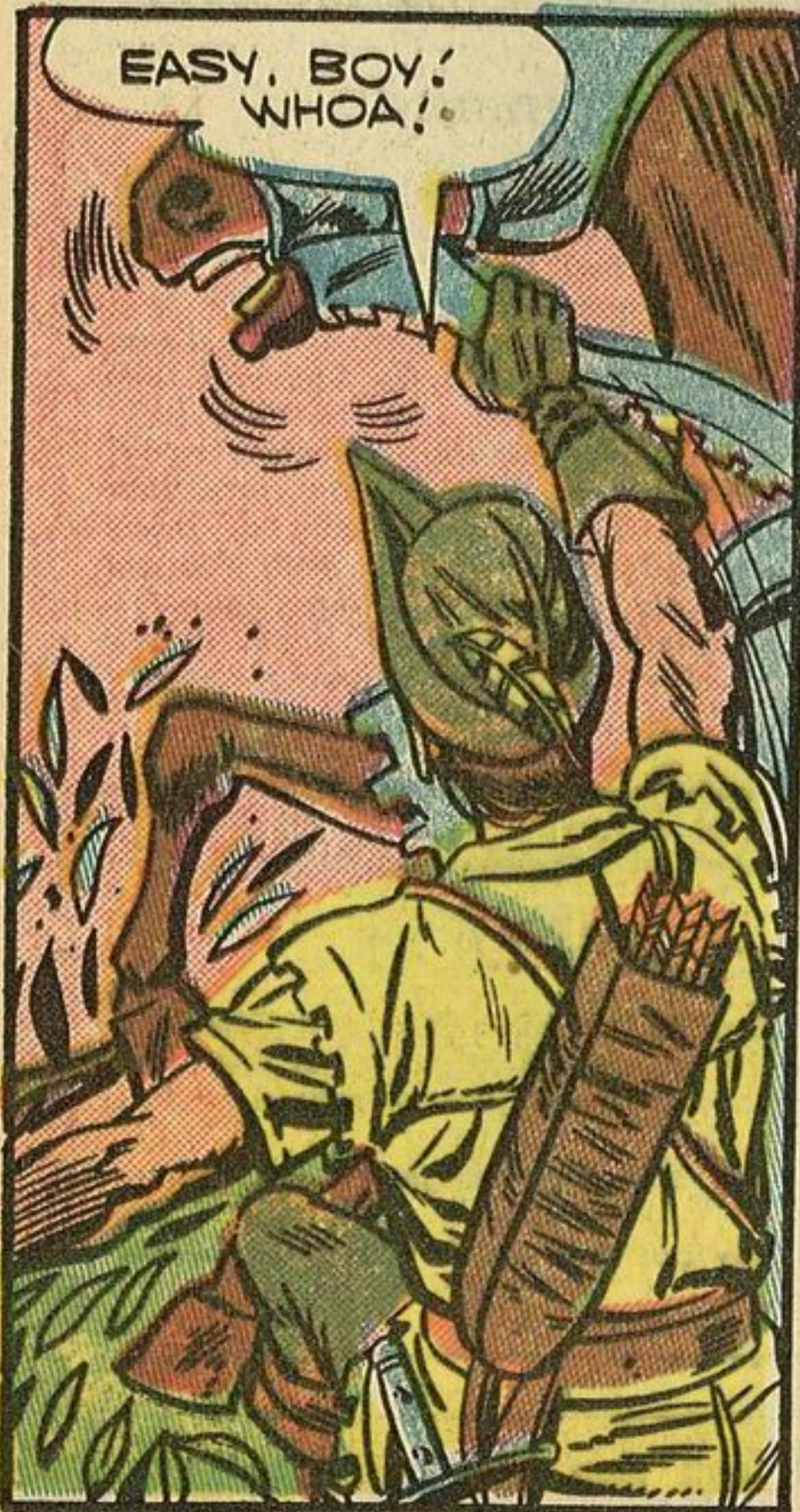
HANG ON, MILADY!



EASY, BOY! WHOA!

W-WHO ARE YOU?

SOME CALL ME ROBIN HOOD, MILADY! WHAT ARE YOU RUNNING FROM?

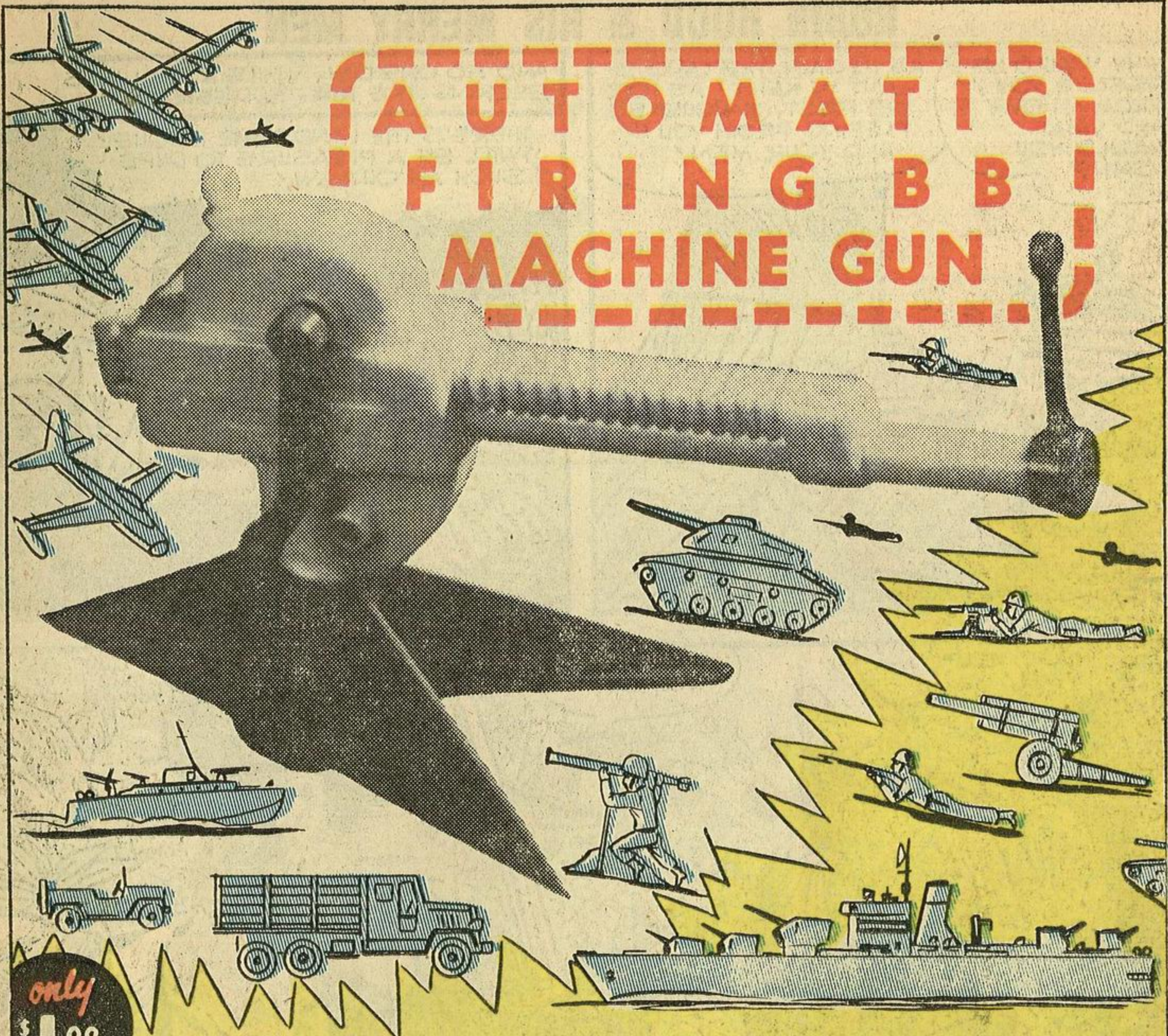


I WAS GATHERING SOME BLOSSOMS WHEN I SPIED PRINCE JOHN'S MERCENARIES! THEY ARE AFTER ME! OH, HIDE ME, PLEASE!

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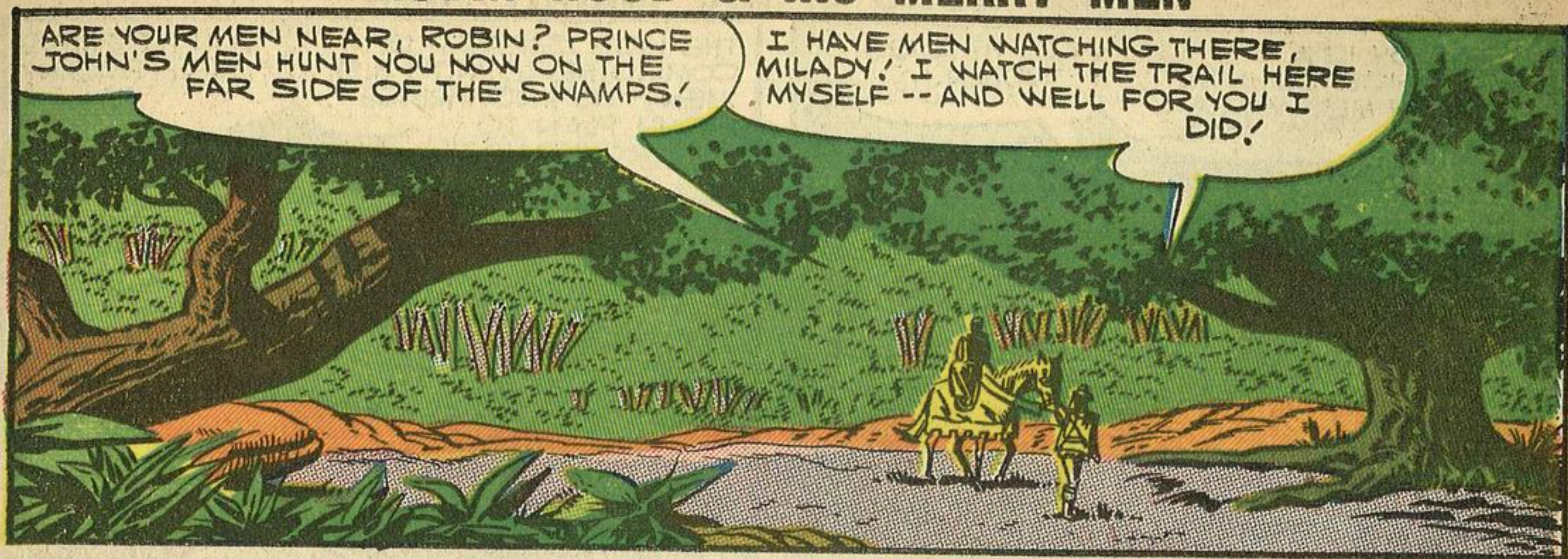
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GET THIS OVER WITH! THE BACK OF A FRACTIONOUS HORSE IS NO FIT PLACE TO LAUNCH AN ARROW!

BUT A GOOD PLACE TO CHARGE THE ENEMY ON, TOM! LEAVE THE SHERIFF FOR ME!



YOU ARE UNDER ARREST FOR... UNGH!

YOU NEED CHASTISING FOR TRESPASSING IN SHERWOOD FOREST, NOTTINGHAM!

CONVEY MY GRATITUDE TO PRINCE JOHN, LADY JULIA! HE BROUGHT US GOLD AND A VISIT FROM A VERY LOVELY LADY!

PRINCE JOHN WILL TRIUMPH, KNAVE, AND I WILL CHEER WHEN HE DOES!



LATER, AT THE CHEERLESS BANQUET TABLE IN NOTTINGHAM...

WELL, WE ARE WELL FED AND DRY HERE ANYWAY, PRINCE JOHN! THE OUTLAWS FARE BADLY, HUNTED AS THEY ARE BY YOUR MEN!

BAH! THAT RASCAL IS PROBABLY BETTER OFF THAN WE ARE!



AND THE PRINCE WAS RIGHT FOR THE FIRST TIME THAT DAY...

I'LL SING A CHANTY OF JOHN, ROBIN!

NAY! NOT TILL THE MAID MARIAN HAS SUPPED AND I HAVE TAKEN HER BACK TO HER FATHER'S CASTLE! THEN, WE SHALL SING ALL THE NIGHT!



END

ROBIN HOOD & HIS MERRY MEN

MARINERS CALLED IT SALVATION HEAD FOR IT MARKED THE ENTRANCE TO A SNUG HARBOR THAT SAVED MANY A SAILOR CAUGHT IN STORMS OFF THE ROCKY ENGLISH COAST. BUT TO YOUNG CAPTAIN CLAYTON AND HIS CREW, THE TWIN LIGHTS THAT MARKED THE HARBOR ENTRANCE STOOD FOR DEATH AND DISASTER!

BEACON OF DOOM

HOLD, SIR PIRATE!
SHOW YOU FACE
BEFORE I
ENGAGE YOU!

THAT WOULD INDEED DOOM YOU!
YOU HAVE SMALL CHANCE OF
ESCAPING THE FATE OF THOSE
WHO STEER BY MY FALSE
BEACONS AS IT IS,
CAPTAIN!

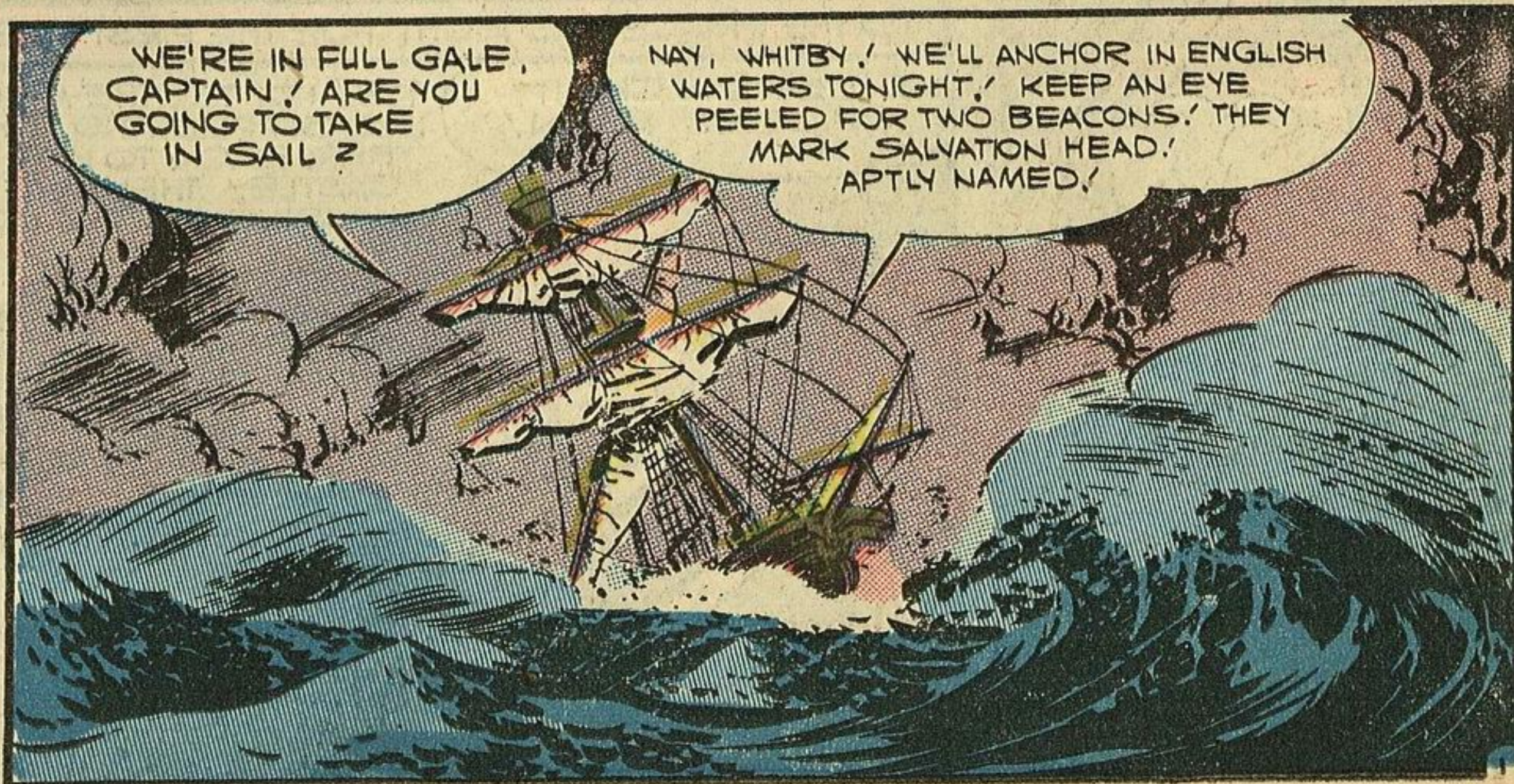


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CAPTAIN CLAYTON'S VESSEL, 'THE HOPEFUL' WAS RETURNING FROM A SUCCESSFUL VOYAGE WHEN THE STORM STRUCK...

WE'RE IN FULL GALE, CAPTAIN! ARE YOU GOING TO TAKE IN SAIL?

NAY, WHITBY! WE'LL ANCHOR IN ENGLISH WATERS TONIGHT! KEEP AN EYE PEELED FOR TWO BEACONS! THEY MARK SALVATION HEAD! APTLY NAMED!



ROBIN HOOD & HIS MERRY MEN

MEANWHILE,
TWO MILES
DOWN
THE COAST,
NEAR
TURBULENT
KNIFE
EDGED
BOULDERS
WAITING
IN
THE
BOOMING
SURF...

THERE'S OUR PREY, LADS! LIGHT THE
FIRES! LET THE FOOLS RIP THE BOTTOM
OUT OF THEIR VESSEL! WE SHALL EN-
RICH OURSELVES AGAIN TONIGHT!



THE SMALL
CREW,
OUTNUMBER-
ED AND
UNARMED,
PUT UP
LITTLE
FIGHT! YOUNG
CAPTAIN
CLAYTON
DIDN'T
HAVE
A CHANCE
TO
RESIST...

I'VE LOST MY
SHIP! BUT
I'LL MAKE
YOU...

WELL DONE, BARNABY! TOSS
HIM INTO THE SHIP'S GIG
AND SET HIM ADrift! WE'VE
WORK TO DO BEFORE THIS
WRECK BREAKS UP!



THE HOWLING WINDS AND FOAM CRESTED SEAS MIRACULOUS-
LY SPARED THE TINY CRAFT AND HER UNCONSCIOUS BURDEN.



THAT BOAT... THERE'S A MAN IN
IT! HE'LL DROWN IN THIS SURF!



WE'LL STRUCK!
INTO THE
BOATS, LADS!



ROBIN HOOD & HIS MERRY MEN



TRY TO STAND! YOU MUST OR WE'LL BOTH DROWN!

I'M TRYIN'... HEAD... DIZZY!



WHAT HAPPENED? DID YOUR SHIP SINK IN THE STORM?

PIRATES! TALL MEN! GET ME WATER-- FOOD!



THE GIRL HURRIED AWAY! WHEN SHE CAME BACK, SHE HAD FOOD AND WATER, AND WARM, DRY CLOTHES...

AHH, THIS IS GOOD! I MAY LIVE AFTER ALL! IT IS GOOD TO BE SAFE AND DRY! I OWE YOU MUCH, MISTRESS!

THEN RE-PAY ME BY LEAVING AS QUICKLY AS YOU CAN!



I WOULD PLEASE YOU, MISTRESS, BUT I MUST FIND THE FIEND RESPONSIBLE FOR THE DEATH OF MY SHIPMATES AND THE LOSS OF MY SHIP! I WILL KNOW THE MAN AGAIN!

DO NOT BE FOOLISH! YOU MUST GO AT ONCE!



IT IS TOO LATE! YON BEAST WILL BRING MY UNCLE, BARON BROM-QUIST!

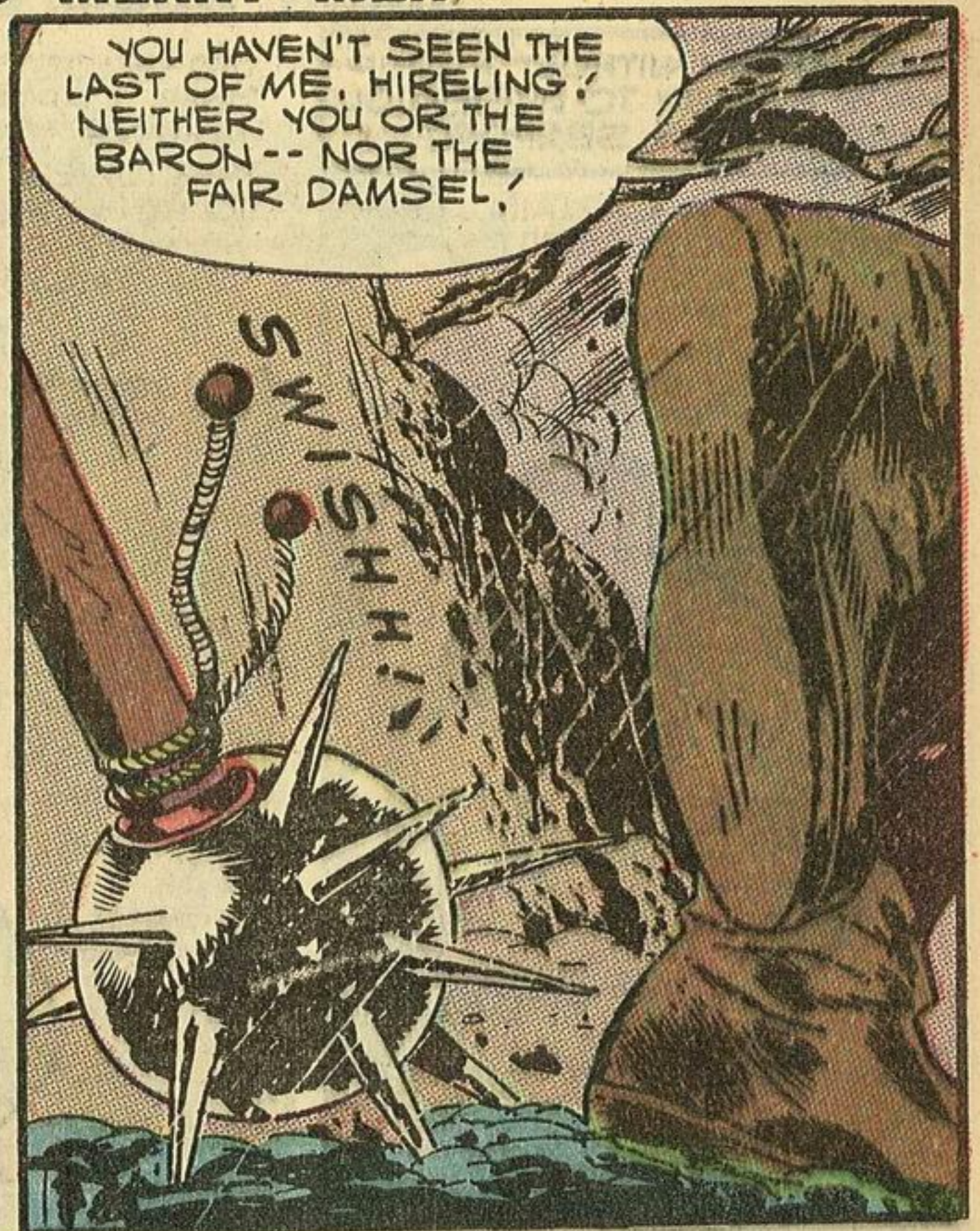
YOU ARE AFRAID! THE DOG DOES NOT MEAN HARM!



GO TO THE CASTLE, MARY! RUIG-- THRASH THIS TRESPASSER AND SEND HIM ON HIS WAY!

IF HE TRIES, I'LL THRASH HIM! I'LL NOT LEAVE HERE, BARON, UNTIL I AVENGE MY SHIPMATES!

ROBIN HOOD & HIS MERRY MEN



THE CRUEL BARON'S ORDERS WERE OBEYED TO THE LETTER! NO ONE WOULD AID THE WEAKENED CASTAWAY...



A DAY LATER, THE INN HAD ANOTHER MYSTERIOUS VISITOR... ASKING FOR CAPTAIN CLAYTON...



I'M A POOR MAN NOW, MARY, BUT I'LL NOT ALWAYS BE! PERHAPS WHEN I RETURN WE'LL SPEAK OF PLEASANTER THINGS! I'M OFF NOW TO ENLIST SOME PIRATES OF MY OWN!



ROBIN HOOD & HIS MERRY MEN

THE CAPTAIN WITHOUT A SHIP MADE HIS WAY TO LIVERPOOL, A BUSY LITTLE SEAPORT...

AYE, MATEY, CAPTAIN LOUIE NEEDS STOUT HANDS! HE'S SAILIN' FOR THE RED SEA IN TWO DAYS! HE'S IN THE TAVERN!

I'LL SEE HIM THERE!



SO YE LOST YER SHIP, CAPTAIN? NOW YE WANT ME TO HELP YE GET VENGEANCE, EH?

THIS PIRATE MUST BE RICH, LOUIE! PLUNDERING HIS GOLD WOULD PAY MORE THAN TRAVELING MONTHS TO FIGHT THE TURKS!



NAY, CLAYTON! I FIGHT NO MAN'S BATTLES BUT MY OWN! THERE'S A BERTH FOR YE BUT YE'LL DO YER FIGHTIN' IN THE RED SEA!

ALL RIGHT, CAPTAIN! I'LL SIGN ON YOUR TERMS!



SO CAPTAIN CLAYTON WAS ONCE MORE ABOARD SHIP! THIS TIME AS PART OF THE CREW OF A SHIP SAILING TO PLUNDER THE TURKS...

SO, CLAYTON! YOU STILL WOULD HAVE VENGEANCE! WOULD THAT I COULD HELP! THE LADS WOULD LIKE TO DO BATTLE WITH A MAN WHO LIGHTS FALSE FLARES!

IF A STORM CAME UP, CAPTAIN, YOU STILL MIGHT! WE ARE NEAR SALVATION HEAD NOW!



AND A GALE SPRANG UP THAT AFTERNOON! CLAYTON BROUGHT THE NEWS TO THE CAPTAIN IN HIS CABIN BELOW...

A GALE IS BLOWING, CAPTAIN! AND WE ARE RIGHT OFF SALVATION HEAD!



YOU KNOW MY WISHES! KEEP AWAY FROM...

WE ARE GOING IN CLOSE, CAPTAIN! YOU ARE TOO ILL TO COME ON DECK!



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I'LL CALL OUT TO MY CREW!
THEY'LL NEVER LET YOU
WRECK MY SHIP!

THEY'LL NEVER HEAR
YOU ON DECK, CAPTAIN,
AND I'LL TRY TO RE-
TURN YOUR SHIP TO
YOU UNHARMED
AFTERWARD!

BEFORE YOU PULL
YOUR SWORD,
CAPTAIN, LOOK
AT THAT BOAT!
THEY'RE THE
SAME VULTURES
WHO LOOTED
MY VESSEL!

VERY
CLEVER,
CAPTAIN
CLAYTON!
THEY'LL
FIND MY
LAMBS
HAVE
LONG
TEETH!

NIGHT WAS
FALLING
ONCE
MORE --
AND ONCE
AGAIN
CAPTAIN
CLAYTON
SIGHTED
THE
FALSE
BEACONS
ACROSS
THE STORM
TOSSED
WATER!



CAPTAIN LOUIE WANTS
TO ANCHOR IN THE
HARBOR! STEER
NORTH OF YON
BEACONS!

AYE, SIR!
NORTH
IT IS!

BUT THIS TIME, CLAYTON KNEW WHAT TO EXPECT!
MOVING SLOWLY INTO THE TEETH OF THE GALE, HE
BARELY FELT THE SHIP GO AGROUND...

WE'RE AGROUND!
WHERE'S CAPTAIN
LOUIE?

LOCKED IN HIS CABIN! GIVE
HIM MY COMPLIMENTS AND ASK
HIM TO JOIN ME FOR
THE PARTY!

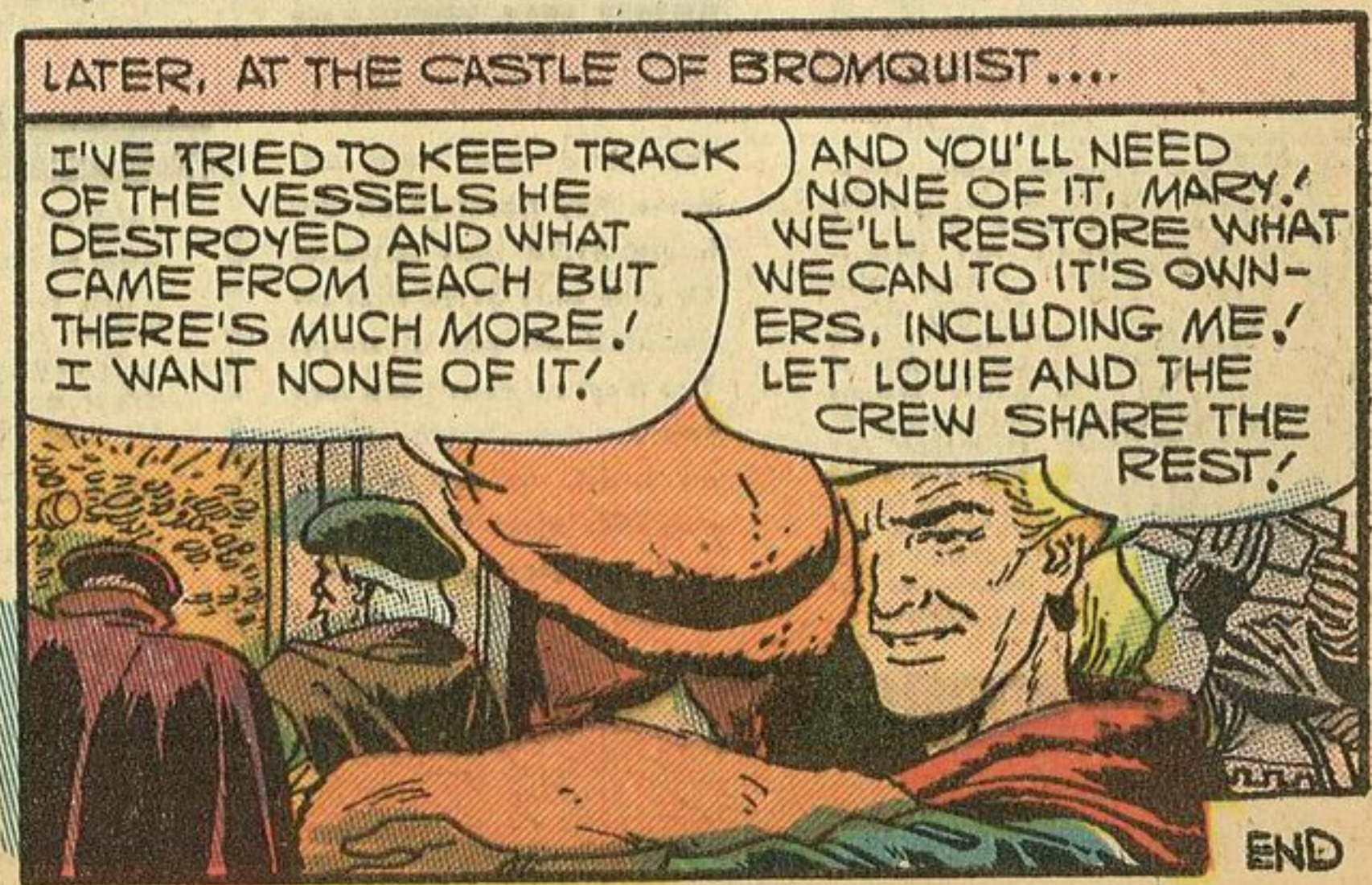
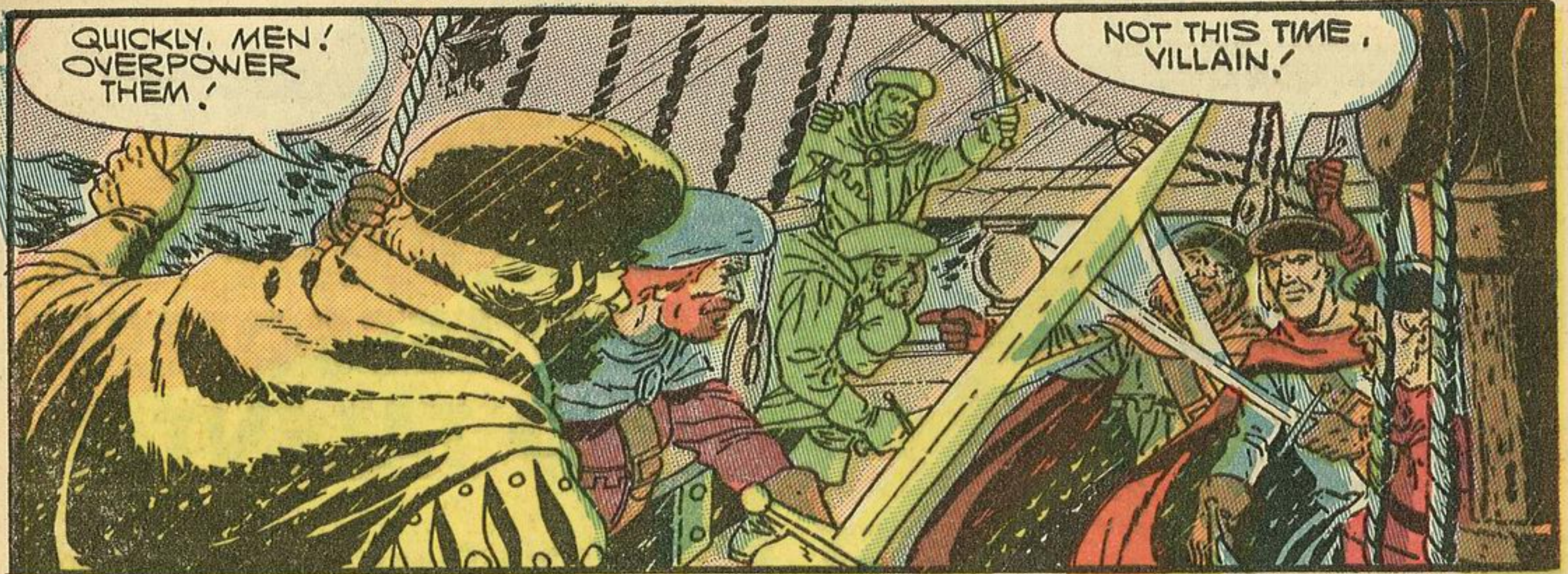


HIDE YOUR WEAPONS! LET
THE JACKALS BOARD US
BEFORE WE SHOW
OUR FANGS!

MAKE FAST!
LET NO ONE
ESCAPE!



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RADIO



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MOCCASIN
SET



GABBY HAYES
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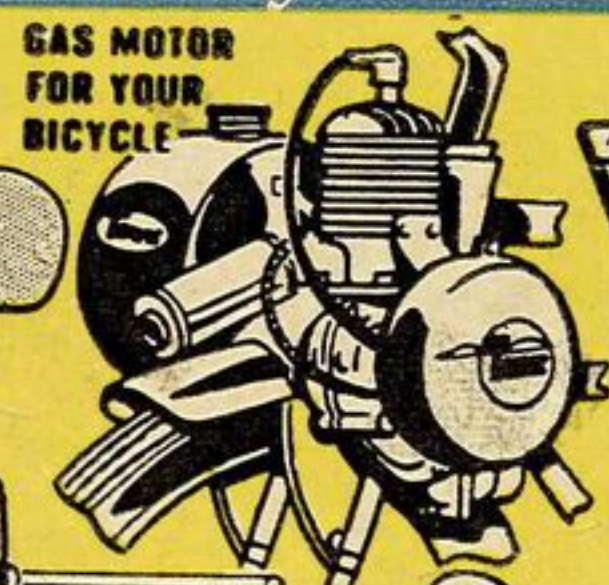
GIRLS
OVERNIGHT
CASE



SPORTS
EQUIPMENT



TABLE TENNIS SET



GAS MOTOR
FOR YOUR
BICYCLE



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EQUIPMENT

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OR GIRL'S
BICYCLE

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